

REMARKS

This communication responds to the Restriction Requirement dated September 14, 2007.

Election/Restrictions

The Examiner required restriction between the following groups of claims:

Group I. Claims 1-7 and 10, drawn to a method of making bone particle comprising immersing a quantity of bone in an immobilization medium, solidify the bone and the medium, and subdividing the solidified bone;

Group II. Claims 8, 9 and 11-17, drawn to a bone particle, an implant comprising the bone particle or a composition comprising the bone particle;

Group III. Claims 18-23, drawn to an apparatus comprising a base, a base frame attached to the surface of the base, and a detachable former member enclosing the base frame, or a workpiece holder.

The Applicants hereby elect Group I, encompassing claims 1-17 and 10 for further examination. Claims 8, 9, 11-17 and 18-23 have been withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

The Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. If it would expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' representative at the number provided below.

If payment is needed for entry of the response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 04-1420 and notify us of the same.

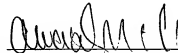
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